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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, CU, US, DR

SUBJECT: US POLICY TOWARD CUBA

REF : SD 3172

1. IT SEEMS PROBABLE THAT SOMETIME DURING THE NEXT WEEK OR TWO, AFTER THE INAUGURATION AND THE NEW GOVERNMENT IS INSTALLED, PRESIDENT BALAGUER WILL CALL ME IN TO DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF COSTA RICAN PRESIDENT ODUBER'S LETTER TO HIM REGARDING CUBA, AS HE HAD PROMISED. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE MAIN THRUST OF ODUBER'S LETTER IS AN INVITATION TO ATTEND A SPECIAL MEETING ON HEMISPHERIC POLICY TOWARD CUBA WHERE A TWO-THIRDS VOTE WOULD BE SOUGHT TO PERMIT INDIVIDUAL OAS MEMBERS TO CHOOSE AT THEIR OWN DISCRETION THE NATURE OF RELATIONS EACH WISHES TO MAINTAIN WITH CUBA. THE LETTER SEEKS GODR SUPPORT.

2. I COULD RESPOND TO PRESIDENT BALAGUER IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING GENERAL WAYS, IN ALL INSTANCES UNDERTAKING TO TRANSMIT HIS VIEWS:

A. SAY THAT I HAD NO INSTRUCTIONS ON THE SUBJECT;

B. REPEAT US POLICY TOWARD CUBA AND REASONS THEREFORE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT INSTRUCTIONS;

C. SAY THAT WHILE THE MAIN THRUSTS OF PAST US POLICY WILL CONTINUE UNDER PRESIDENT FORD AS PUBLICLY  
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ANNOUNCED, CERTAIN SPECIFIC ASPECTS ARE UNDERGOING REVIEW

INCLUDING POLICY TOWARD CUBA AND THAT WE WOULD LISTEN  
CAREFULLY TO THE VIEWS EXPRESSED AT THE SPECIAL MEETING, IF  
AND WHEN IT SHOULD TAKE PLACE;

D. TRANSMIT ANY NEW POLICY TOWARD CUBA THAT MAY BE  
DECIDED IN THE INTERIM.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE.  
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